

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 10, 2002

H.R. 3838

An act to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States organization to make members of the armed forces who receive special pay for duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger eligible for membership in the organization, and for other purposes

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on September 5, 2002

H.R. 3838 would make several changes to the federal charter for the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, a veterans association. These changes would confer no federal benefits. Thus, CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would result in no cost to the federal government. Because H.R. 3838 would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The act contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

On July 12, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3838 as ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on July 10, 2002. The two versions of the legislation are identical, as are the two estimates.

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